

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of: | |) | |
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| | | : | Examiner: J. Fredman |
| NOBUKO YAMAMOTO ET AL. | |) | |
| | | : | Group Art Unit: 1634 |
| Application No.: 09/942,596 | |) | |
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| Filed: August 31, 2001 | |) | |
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

A. <u>Introductory Comments</u>

This Amendment is filed in accordance with the O.G. Notice -1267 Off.

Gaz. Pat. Office 106 of February 25, 2003 - in which 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(a)-(d) is waived for amendments to the application where the Amendment complies with the Revised

Amendment Format of the O.G. Notice.

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Date of Signature

In response to the Office Action dated March 7, 2003, kindly amend the above-captioned application as follows and consider the following remarks.